



**National Science Foundation**  
**U.S. Antarctic Program Blue Ribbon Panel Review**  
**Notice of Meeting**

In accordance with Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

**NAME:** U.S. Antarctic Program Blue Ribbon Panel Review, #76826

**DATE/TIME:** March 5, 2012, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1295, Arlington, VA 22230

**TYPE OF MEETING:** OPEN

**CONTACT PERSON:** Sue LaFratta, Office of Polar Programs (OPP). National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. (703) 292-8030.

**MINUTES:** May be obtained from the contact person listed above.

**PURPOSE OF MEETING:** The Panel will conduct an independent review of the current U.S. Antarctic Program to ensure the nation is pursuing the best twenty-year trajectory for conducting science and diplomacy in Antarctica – one that is environmentally sound, safe, innovative, affordable, sustainable, and consistent with the Antarctic Treaty.

**AGENDA:** Present the Panel with additional programmatic information related to opportunities and challenges for Antarctic research and research support; discussion of findings and recommendations; planning for additional meetings.

Susanne Bolton  
Committee Management Officer

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